## (D) REMARKS, DRAWING AMENDMENTS

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RESPONSE TO ACTION PARA. 1, 2: REJECTION UNDER SEC. 102

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- 5 Claims 21-24 were rejected under Sec. 102(b) as anticipated by Ohki (US Pub. No.
- 6 2002/0001032). The amendments made hereinabove render the rejection moot in view of the
- 7 amendment of allowable claim 25. Withdrawal of the rejection is respectfully requested.

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SUMMARY AND CONCLUSION

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The applicant reserves the right without prejudice to present arguments regarding all references cited, relied upon or not, in the present Action should they be reasserted by the Patent Office.

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- Based upon the foregoing, it is submitted that the application now as before presents claims
- which are directed to novel, unobvious and distinct features of the present invention which are
- an advancement to the state of the art. Reconsideration and early allowance of all claims is
- respectfully requested. The right is expressly reserved to reassert any and all arguments.
- including the raising of new arguments, should a Notice of Allowance not be forthcoming.

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